

## UNIVERSITY CLUB GETS HOME SITE

Option Obtained on Property  
at 1 and Fifteenth.

### PURCHASE BY CLUB'S FRIENDS

They Agree to Hold Site Free Until  
June 1—Enthusiasm Runs High in  
Club Rooms When Announcement  
Is Made—Price Paid Is \$72,500.  
Plans for the Building.

Tremendous cheering rang through  
the rooms of the University Club last  
night when the announcement was made  
that the site for the proposed new build-  
ing had been purchased.

Members congratulated one another that  
the first tangible step toward the mat-  
terialization of their cherished plans for  
a new home had been taken.

The option on the new site held by the  
club had expired on 1st day of this  
month. Since that time several members  
and friends of the club joined together  
and purchased the lot at Fifteenth and I  
streets, opposite McPherson Square, now  
occupied by King's drug store and other  
buildings. The consideration was \$72,500.

Given a Free Option.  
Those who purchased the site have  
given the club an option on it free until  
June 1. If by that time the club does  
not decide to take it, the lot will be dis-  
posed of by the new purchasers.

Enthusiasm ran high and every one  
present pledged himself to do all in his  
power to help raise the \$350,000 necessary  
for the erection of the new clubhouse.  
Nearly one-third of the amount has al-  
ready been subscribed, and the fact that  
the club has now an option on the site  
for the building at a moderate figure will  
prove a great stimulus toward swelling  
the subscription fund. The money sub-  
scribed is not to be a donation, but an  
investment at 5 per cent. The shares are  
\$100 each, and every member of the club  
is urged to purchase at least one share,  
or, if that is impossible, to combine with  
other members and take a share together.

The plan of the new building, which is  
to be made one of the architectural  
features of the city, have been drawn by  
George Oakley Totten, member of the  
club and architect of some of the largest  
private residences in the northwest sec-  
tion of the city.

After the excitement due to the an-  
nouncement of the purchase of the site  
for the new clubhouse had subsided, Hon.  
William L. Scruggs, of Atlanta, delivered  
an instructive lecture on "Latin Ameri-  
cans and their interpretation of the Mon-  
roe doctrine."

In Diplomatic Service.  
Mr. Scruggs was for years in the  
diplomatic service, being formerly United  
States Minister to Venezuela and Colom-  
bia. He was counsel for Venezuela in the  
famous boundary dispute with Great  
Britain.

In his lecture he described the develop-  
ment of the Monroe doctrine and de-  
clared that the germ of this cardinal  
principle of American foreign policy  
could be traced to Washington and John  
Adams. He said the South Americans re-  
membered the doctrine only when they  
were in trouble and it served them as a  
convenient shield against the aggressions  
of a European power.

### CONGRESSMAN IN DEAL

Mixed Up with Man Arrested for  
Promoting Lottery.

Baltimore, Md., April 17.—Max Simp-  
son, of New York, arrested in Philadel-  
phia charged with violating the postal  
laws, in using the mails for lottery  
purposes, was taken to jail this after-  
noon, where he will be held until  
\$2,000 bail until trial.

Although established beyond a doubt  
that a Congressman was connected  
in some way with an insurance  
scheme that Simpson is said to have  
promoted, or to have tried to promote,  
there is little likelihood of his iden-  
tity ever becoming known.

### WEATHER CONDITIONS.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Weather Bureau,  
Washington, Saturday, April 17, 1909. 8 p. m.  
There will be rain or snow showers in the North-  
west and the central Rocky Mountain region,  
and showers in the central Plains States, the  
Missouri and Upper Mississippi valleys and the  
upper Lake region, followed by fair weather  
Monday, except in the upper Lake region, where  
rain or snow is probable.

There will be showers Sunday night and Monday  
in the Ohio Valley and Lower Lake region, and  
on Monday in the Middle Atlantic States and New  
England. In the South and Southeast the weather  
will be generally fair Sunday and Monday.

It will be cooler Sunday over the middle and  
northern districts of the Mississippi River, and  
cooler Monday in the Ohio Valley and the Lake  
region, and cooler Monday night or Tuesday in the  
Middle Atlantic States and New England.

The winds along the New England coast will be  
moderate and variable, becoming easterly; on the  
Middle Atlantic coast, light and variable; on the  
South Atlantic coast, light east to south; on the  
east Gulf coast, light to moderate southerly; on  
the west Gulf coast, moderate southerly; on the  
Lower Lakes, light to moderate easterly; and on  
the Upper Lakes, moderate to brisk and variable,  
becoming northwesterly Sunday night on Michigan  
and Superior.

### Local Temperature.

Midnight, 55; 2 a. m., 55; 4 a. m., 56; 6 a. m., 57;  
8 a. m., 58; 10 a. m., 63; 12 noon, 73; 2 p. m., 81;  
4 p. m., 81; 6 p. m., 82; 8 p. m., 79; 10 p. m., 69.  
Maximum, 85; minimum, 48.

Relative humidity—8 a. m., 59; 2 p. m., 35; 8 p. m., 31.  
Hours of sunshine, 11.2. Per cent of possible  
sunshine, 84.  
Temperature same date last year—Maximum, 57;  
minimum, 33.

### Temperatures in Other Cities.

Temperatures in other cities, together with the  
amount of rainfall, for the twelve hours ended at 8  
p. m. yesterday, are as follows:

City	Max.	Min.	Rain.
Ashville, N. C.	52	30	...
Atlanta, Ga.	52	38	...
Atlantic City, N. J.	56	44	...
Bismarck, N. Dak.	54	46	...
Boston, Mass.	62	42	...
Buffalo, N. Y.	50	41	0.02
Chicago, Ill.	58	38	...
Cincinnati, Ohio	52	38	...
Cheyenne, Wyo.	70	38	...
Davenport, Iowa	70	42	...
Denver, Colo.	76	50	...
Des Moines, Iowa	70	42	...
Elkhart, Ind.	68	48	...
Holmes, Mont.	42	22	...
Indianapolis, Ind.	78	52	...
Jacksonville, Fla.	82	68	...
Kansas City, Mo.	84	48	...
Little Rock, Ark.	80	60	...
Los Angeles, Cal.	60	40	...
Marquette, Mich.	48	30	...
Memphis, Tenn.	80	62	...
New Orleans, La.	80	62	...
New York, N. Y.	68	44	...
North Platte, Neb.	80	44	...
Omaha, Neb.	74	58	...
Pittsburg, Pa.	41	38	0.18
Portland, Ore.	60	36	...
Salt Lake City, Utah	70	32	...
St. Louis, Mo.	82	54	...
St. Paul, Minn.	64	38	...
San Francisco, Cal.	56	34	...
Springfield, Ill.	69	52	...
Tacoma, Wash.	54	32	...
Vicksburg, Miss.	80	58	...

### Tide Table.

Today—High tide, 6:23 a. m., 6:50 p. m.; low  
tide, 12:32 a. m., 1:22 p. m.  
Tomorrow—High tide, 7:33 a. m., 7:57 p. m.; low  
tide, 1:21 a. m., 1:50 p. m.

### Condition of the Water.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
Harvey Perry, W. Va., April 17.—Both rivers  
moderately today.

## PROMINENT DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTION.



### DAUGHTERS GRACE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

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were not present at the afternoon recep-  
tion.

Both leaders made brief addresses in  
response to the speech of Miss Mabel  
Boardman, descriptive of the work ac-  
complished by the Red Cross in the War  
of the Revolution.

It is said that no better arrangement  
could have been made by the campaign  
managers for eliciting the opinion of the  
visiting regents. The main topic of con-  
versation that pervaded both gatherings  
at the Willard was "Who is to be the next  
president general?"

Borne on the wave of enthusiasm in-  
cited to the approaching election, the  
leaders gave optimistic statements, and  
these expressions were carried from  
mouth to mouth, influencing in no small  
degree the chances of the respective candi-  
dates.

Both Candidates Confident.  
Mrs. Scott is sure of winning the high-  
est office in the gift of the society, and  
her platform issued yesterday plainly sets  
forth the principles upon which her ad-  
ministration will be based.

While she would not venture to state  
just what majority of ballots she ex-  
pected to receive on Thursday, Mrs.  
Story said she felt certain the result of  
the contest would be in her favor.

"This afternoon's reception was a great  
tribute to Mrs. Sherman, and judging  
from the number of delegates present  
who have heretofore opposed our prin-  
ciples, I feel that our ticket will be  
strongly supported," added the conserva-  
tive candidate.

It is doubtful if such distinguished as-  
semblages have ever united at a social  
function in Washington before, outside  
of the White House receptions. Re-  
splendent in costly gowns and wearing  
choicest gems, the "Daughters" made  
the occasion propitious for the begin-  
ning of one of the most stirring con-  
tests in the history of the organization.

Varied-colored robes lent an air of cheer-  
fulness to the scene that was not in  
harmony with the undercurrent of anxi-  
ety that beset every guest present.

Tumultuous scenes have often been en-  
acted in this city in the past by the  
conventions of the National Society of  
the Daughters of the American Revolu-  
tion, but the gracious manner in which  
the electors passed greetings yesterday  
forebodes a situation that is termed sin-  
gular.

Election Is in Doubt.  
Probably no election has ever been so  
much in doubt. Each side is booming its  
candidate, and only hopeful reports have  
emanated from the headquarters of the  
contesting factions. Petty differences that  
have been discussed for the last month  
seem to have been forgotten, and all in-  
terest centers in the qualifications of  
Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Story to manage the  
affairs of the national society.

Despite that the feeling of friendship  
which appears to have smoothed out all  
differences, the treatment accorded  
Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Story to manage the  
affairs of the national society.

It is understood Mrs. J. Eakin Gadsby,  
present historian general of the society,  
is aggressive in the treatment accorded  
her by certain leaders of the administra-  
tion, and she will probably throw her sup-  
port to the conservative ticket. It is be-  
lieved Mrs. Gadsby, although a close per-  
sonal friend of Mrs. Scott, will not vote  
for Mrs. Story. Just what effect her  
action will have on the members of the  
District chapters is unknown.

### Asked to Re-enter Race.

Although eligible to fill the position of  
historian general for two more years,  
Mrs. Gadsby was eliminated from the  
ticket of the administrationists without  
her consent or knowledge. She was ap-  
proached by delegations from four States  
yesterday and asked to re-enter the race.  
This incident, coupled with the fact that  
scores of delegates not numbered among  
the supporters of Mrs. Story a week ago  
have signified their intention of voting the  
conservative ticket, has instilled new  
vigor into the ranks of the Storyites.

This element, through its leaders, yes-  
terday put a quietus on the administra-  
tionists who circulated a serious report  
that evening. The so-called insurgents  
term the report "untrue, malicious, and  
scurrilous." Through their legal adviser,  
Mrs. Amos G. Draper was notified yes-  
terday that if the alleged slanderous state-  
ments continued to emanate from the ad-  
ministrationists' camp, the matter will be  
carried to court.

### Contest for Minor Offices.

These happenings served to enliven the  
spirit of the campaigners, and when the  
day's festivities were at an end the mem-  
bers were on the qui-vive. The animated  
discussion of the relative merits of all  
candidates extended to the minor offices,  
and every corridor in the Willard, notab-  
ly "Peacock Alley," was lined with con-  
sulting Daughters. The State delegations  
have for the time being eliminated local  
affairs from their consideration, and each  
visitor is filled with the importance of  
the fight.

To-day, although devoted to no busi-  
ness meeting, will not be consumed en-  
tirely by the delegates with church serv-  
ices. The Daughters say they will "pray  
for success as if God will grant and  
work for their respective candidates as  
if they can achieve her election."

The Vice President and Mrs. Sherman's  
reception began at 5 o'clock in the Cab-  
inet room on the second floor of the Wil-

### FIFTY GAMBLERS IN NET.

Spectacular Raid Accomplished by  
Chicago Police.

Chicago, April 17.—Fifty gamblers  
were arrested and a score of others  
were held captive in the gambling  
rooms above Pat O'Malley's saloon,  
Polk and Clark streets, at 4 p. m. to-  
day, in one of the most sensational  
police raids of the year.

Panic and wild scrambles for safety  
marked the appearance of the police,  
whose approach had been heralded to  
the gamblers by the faithful lookouts  
and electric buzzers.

### TIMID ROBBER FLEES.

Tries to Hold Up Seattle Bank in  
the Day Time.

Seattle, April 17.—Search is being made  
by the police to-night for a robber who  
to-day attempted to hold up the American  
Savings and Trust Company's bank in  
broad daylight. Without getting any  
funds, the desperado rushed out into the  
street and disappeared.

"I want some money," stammered the  
robber in the ear of the teller, at the same  
time extending a revolver.

Instead of complying with the man's de-  
mand, Drew, the teller, ducked under the  
counter. The would-be robber then turned  
and fired a shot at Secretary Harry Win-  
try, whose desk is near the teller's win-  
dow. The ball went wild, narrowly miss-  
ing James P. Gleason, president of the  
bank.

### FRANCE SCORED IN PANAMA.

Newspapers There Declare Action  
Against Castro an Outrage.

Panama, April 17.—The local and South-  
ern newspapers severely criticize Presi-  
dent Fallieres, or France, for the orders  
and "outrageous proceedings" against  
Cipriano Castro, the deposed president of  
Venezuela, declaring that the violate in-  
dividual rights which France was the  
first country to declare, gloriously, and  
which she has now, duped by the United  
States, forfeited.

The papers are unanimous in their de-  
clarations of sympathy for Castro. It is  
decried to hold the belief in South and Central  
American countries, according to the  
newspapers here, that if the United  
States' unjust and coercive policy against  
their independent sovereignty and auton-  
omy is allowed to continue without pro-  
test, the precedent may have serious re-  
sults.

A meeting of the New York State dele-  
gates was supposed to have been held  
last night, but Mrs. Story did not wish  
the delegates to be prevented from at-  
tending the function downstairs and de-  
cided to hold the meeting later.

The Swedish Minister and Mme. Lager-  
grantz were the invited guests of honor.  
Mrs. McLean, after being escorted to the  
chair of honor on the platform, made in  
brief response to Miss Boardman's ad-  
dress. Mrs. Scott also spoke briefly on  
the same subject, and urged the daugh-  
ters to unite with the Red Cross in carry-  
ing on the work of mercy.

### Statement Is Optimistic.

One of the statements issued last night  
by the anti-administration managers  
contained the fact that no reply would  
be made to Mrs. Scott's insinuation that  
she was maliciously termed "mentally un-  
fit to serve as president general."

Continuing, the report says: "We have  
sufficient votes pledged to our candidate  
and need make no statements in reply to  
an unfounded report." The campaign in-  
dicates that something in the nature of  
a sensation will be caused during the  
congress which will benefit the cause of  
the Storyites.

Administration adherents are cheerful  
because Mrs. Pelle de Reviere and Mrs.  
Sarah Dickinson, influential New York  
members, are to arrive to-day to cham-  
pion the cause of Mrs. McLean's candi-  
date. In the delegation there are a num-  
ber of Story supporters, among whom is  
Miss Helen Varrick, who will nominate  
Mrs. Story on Thursday.

### Praise for Mrs. McLean.

A number of meetings were held by  
the various committees at Continental  
Hall during the day, and in the morning  
the national board, after transaction of  
routine matters, adopted the following  
resolutions indorsing the administration  
of Mrs. Donald McLean:

"We, the members of this, the retiring  
board, desire to be placed upon record  
as expressing our deep gratitude to the  
chairman, our president general, Mrs.  
Donald McLean, for her wise, just, de-  
liberate, always parliamentary, and con-  
stitutional rulings.

"For the confidence reposed in us, the  
deference accorded our opinions, which  
has always resulted in absolute unani-  
mity, while the meetings have been so  
harmonious and congenial in every way,  
that coming to them has been a pleasure  
to look forward to and one always real-  
ized."

"The work accomplished along all lines  
during her administration, her business  
methods in handling Continental Hall,  
which has resulted in the practical com-  
pletion of this memorial to stand as the  
work of women.

"Indorse and express our gratification at  
having members, also, of the Memorial  
Continental Hall committee."

The committee on the good of the order,  
an unofficial body composed entirely of  
members of the congress who line up with  
the conservatives, informally discussed  
subjects of interest to the organization at  
the New Willard last evening. Among  
those who took an important part in the  
debate were Mrs. M. A. Ballinger and  
Miss Mary Desha.

### Veteran Club Holds Meeting.

The Government Printing Office Veterans Club  
held its monthly meeting in Pythian Temple last  
evening. The chief feature was a patriotic ad-  
dress by James T. Dubois, recently appointed  
United States consul to Singapore. Musical se-  
lections were given by A. E. Lane, John Purdy,  
and Mrs. Mary Wallis. The meeting was largely  
attended.

## BEAUTY PARADES POTOMAC DRIVE

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green near the Highway Bridge, and  
played a half dozen or more selections of  
beautiful music. This is the same band  
that played at the opening of Luneta, the  
famous park and driveway in Manila,  
and it was fitting that it was selected for  
the opening of the driveway concerts  
originated by Mrs. Taft, whose husband  
was the governor of the islands, and has  
since shown such an interest in their peo-  
ple.

Seated on the grass around the hand-  
stand were more than 2,000 persons, and  
fully half that many carriages, automob-  
iles, and other vehicles thronged the  
drive for more than a mile. Policemen  
and soldiers from Fort Myer, who helped  
keep order, at times had a difficult task  
freeing the mass of humanity and vehicles  
from tangles that seemed unavoidable.  
Little children, of course, turned the  
esplanade into a playground and ran in  
and out of the crowds of people and  
made the day better and more joyful for  
the grown-ups.

### Beautiful Women There.

In carriages and automobiles were  
beautiful women in handsome gowns—  
members of the fashionable set of Wash-  
ington—and they, like men and women  
who had walked or ridden most of the  
way on street cars, marveled at the size  
of the assemblage.

In many respects it was a gathering the  
like of which has never been seen in  
Washington. Following so closely on  
Easter, the feminine world has occasion  
again to dress up in their springtime  
finery and pass in review for the admir-  
ing eyes of their brothers and the scruti-  
nizing glances of their sisters. Every one  
wore flowers of some kind, it seemed;  
there was a profusion of bouquets of all  
sorts and sizes noticeable everywhere.

The day was ideal, and this added to  
the brilliancy of the vari-colored hats  
and gowns and costumes that were on  
display. The throng began making its  
way down the drive and across the El-  
lipse and Monument grounds shortly af-  
ter 4 o'clock, an hour before the hour  
for the formal evening, and when the  
time for the concert arrived there was  
almost a continuous stream of people.

### Tafts Join in Applause.

The President and Mrs. Taft followed  
along in the line of the "common people"  
in the big White House automobile, and  
drove directly to the part of the drive  
nearest the hand stand. Here they  
stopped and listened to the music until  
the programme was completed, at times  
joining in the applause that came from  
the crowds. They were joined by Capt.  
Archibald Butt, the military aide to the  
President, and later several friends stopped  
a moment and chatted with them.

Of course, the President's automobile  
was the attraction for the eyes of ev-  
ery one, and immediately there was a  
grand rush in that direction. The po-  
licemen and Secret Service men handled  
the situation well, and there was little  
confusion.

The President and Mrs. Taft sat as if  
in review of the society parade, that had  
naturally formed itself directly by their  
side in the drive, and they bowed pleas-  
antly to those they recognized in the  
vehicles that passed. Many Senators and  
Representatives exchanged greetings with  
the President, and gave a smile of ap-  
proval to Mrs. Taft as they admired the  
scheme she had planned.

### Conditions All Favorable.

The new esplanade could not have been  
launched under conditions more favorable.  
Congressmen were not held at the Capitol  
by sessions of the House and Senate,  
and most of the government employees  
were through with their work to join in  
the festivities. As for the society men  
and women, the warm and tempting  
afternoon had elected them to mem-  
bership in the throng.

No more ideal spot could have been  
selected for a national concert ground  
than the esplanade. Like Hyde Park, in  
London, it must draw the crowds on  
account of its proximity to the leaders of  
the social life of the nation. Its beauti-  
ful green attracts the children, and, natu-  
rally, must grow popular with the  
families of Washington.

Like the famous Maelon, in Havana,  
it is on the water front, and attracts the  
eye of those cooped up in the city homes  
where nothing but asphalt streets are  
seen, to help forget the hot summer  
days.

Like Phoenix Park, in Dublin, it is  
close to the polo, and other athletic  
grounds, and gives this form of recrea-  
tion to the admirers of outdoor sports.

The Luneta, in Manila, also, is on the  
water front, away from the hot and  
dreary streets of the city.

### To Resemble Bois de Boulogne.

But above all, the Washington esplanade  
will resemble the far-famed Bois de  
Boulogne, the recreation ground of Paris,  
where grandeur seems to carry itself as a  
matter of fact. Washington, during  
the next months of the year, probably more  
than any other American city, can boast  
of its fashionable folk, and for them the  
new attractions on the drive will be a  
delight.

It is the plan to improve the parking  
as much as possible on this part of the  
drive. A cablegram was received yes-  
terday at the White House from the  
mayor of Tokyo, offering to give 1,000  
overgrowing Japanese cherry trees, to be  
planted along the new driveway. These  
will add materially to the attractiveness  
of the grounds, and with them will be  
planted other shrubbery and flowers from  
different parts of the country.

Concerts at the esplanade will be given  
hereafter twice a week, on Wednesday  
and Saturday afternoons, during the sum-  
mer months. On these afternoons music  
will be furnished as a rule by the United  
States Marine Band, but on special oc-  
casions visiting bands or other musical or-  
ganizations may be the attraction.

The President, like Mrs. Taft, enjoys  
more than he does any other form of  
recreation a drive through the parks or  
country roads around Washington. Since  
his inauguration, the President has been  
a frequent visitor to the drive and classes  
it among the most enjoyable spectacles  
of the world. Yesterday afternoon he  
liked the drive, and its crowds more  
than ever, and shared equally with Mrs.  
Taft the satisfaction over the new pro-  
ject.

The President then named the speedway  
Potomac Drive, and wants it to be known  
as that hereafter. He thinks the name  
more appropriate than the ordinary term  
"Speedway," and believes it will be popu-  
lar with all classes of people.

Mrs. Taft wore a handsome gown of  
black messaline, with a violet hat trim-  
med with violets, and a bunch of violets  
for her corsage.

Some of Those in Throng.  
Among the throng were a number of  
horseback riders, and others who were  
in carriages and autos were: The German  
Ambassador and Countess von Bernstorff  
and their daughter, the French Ambassa-  
dor and Mme. Jusserand, the Brazilian  
Ambassador and his son, the Mexican  
Ambassador, the British Ambassador and  
Mrs. Bryce, Mr. Justice and Mrs. White,  
the Secretary of War and Mrs. Dickinson,  
Gen. and Mrs. Foster, the Misses Meyer,  
daughters of the Secretary of the Navy.

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